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Dear Paul:

I am glad to be able to inform you that the Department's budget for FY 1962, as presented to Congress, will request funds for a full time Regional Procurement Officer for Latin America. We will continue to provide the Bureau of Inter-American Affairs backstopping and support in justifying this request before Congress.


Under a recent reorganization with INR the responsibility for publications procurement has been transferred from the Office of Intelligence Resources and Coordination to the Coordination Staff of the Bureau. I will continue to carry on my work with and responsibility for the program within the Department. The Director of the Executive Staff, Donald B. McCue, who is also the Director of the Coordination Staff, made good use of your letter of August 29, 1960, in urging the Bureau of Inter-American Affairs to keep a full time RPO slot despite the necessity the Bureau faced of reducing considerably the budget which had been projected earlier.

We will keep you advised on this or other actions affecting the publications procurement program.

Sincerely,

William McAfee
Interdepartmental Coordinator for
Foreign Publications

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